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The minutes of the meeting of December 31, 1914, were read and approved.

After full discussion a number of resolutions were recommended to the council. These were adopted by the council and are printed in its minutes.

A letter from Ex-president Eliot was read in which he made certain suggestions relative to the possibility of preventing overcrowded programs at the meetings. On motion, the permanent secretary was instructed to arrange, so far as possible, all general interest items in the first, or general, part of the program in order that they may be easily consulted.

Professor Pickering, from the subcommittee on the Colburn Fund, of the committee on research, presented a report.

Professor Cattell presented a report from the Committee of One Hundred on Scientific Research.

Professor Pickering presented a report from the Committee on Expert Testimony.

L. O. HOWARD,
Secretary

MINUTES OF THE COUNCIL

THE council met at 4.45 P.M., April 20, 1915, in room 37, new building of the National Museum, with Messrs. Fairchild, Nichols, Humphreys, Cattell, Kober, Shear, Taylor, Alsberg, Shantz and Howard present.

The meeting was called to order by the permanent secretary and Mr. Fairchild was asked to preside.

The committee on policy submitted a report through its chairman, Mr. Nichols, and, on recommendation of the committee, the following actions were taken by the council:

On nomination by the sectional committee of Section B, Professor E. Percival Lewis, of the University of California, was elected as vice-president of that section in place of Professor Frederick Slate, elected at the Philadelphia meeting, who was unable to serve.

On nomination by the sectional committee of Section H, Professor Lillian J. Martin, of Stanford University, was elected as vice-president of that section in place of Professor

George M. Stratton, elected at the Philadelphia meeting, who was unable to serve.

A resolution was adopted requesting Dr. William W. Campbell, president of the association, to prepare a formal address for the San Francisco meeting in addition to his regular address to be delivered before the association at the winter meeting of 1916-17.

In view of the desirability of rapidly increasing the membership of the newly founded Section M (agriculture), the council, on resolution, directed that the entrance fee of five dollars be remitted for the present calendar year to new members in the Section of Agriculture who may join from the following national societies having a qualification membership:

Society for Promotion of Agricultural Science.
American Society of Agronomy.

The Society of Horticultural Science.

The American Society of Animal Production.

The Official Dairy Instructors' Association.

On motion, it was resolved to continue the subcommittee of the committee on research constituted at the Philadelphia meeting for consideration of the Colburn will fund.

Professor Roscoe Pound, of the Harvard Law School, was elected as a member of the committee on the amendment of the charter in place of Dr. Charles S. Minot, deceased.

An application from the Gamma Alpha regular program of the association when the Graduate Scientific Fraternity to allow a notice of its meeting to be inserted in the regular program of the association when the conventions of the fraternity were held at the same time and place as the meetings of the association was read and acted upon favorably.

On motion, the committee on policy was authorized to appoint a committee on the international relations of scientific institutions and scientific men.

The financial report of the permanent secretary for the fiscal year from November 1, 1913, to October 31, 1914, was read and, on motion, approved and ordered printed.

The permanent secretary reported briefly concerning the arrangements for the San Francisco meeting and announced that the

new volume containing the constitution, list of meetings, officers, committees, fellows and members was nearly ready for publication.

At 5.30 P.M., the council adjourned.

L. O. HOWARD,
Permanent secretary

SCIENTIFIC NOTES AND NEWS

MEMBERS of the National Academy of Sciences were elected on April 21, as follows: Dr. Charles Greeley Abbot, director of the astrophysical laboratory of the Smithsonian Institution; Dr. W. E. Castle, professor of zoology, Harvard University; Dr. G. Stanley Hall, president of Clark University and professor of psychology; Dr. Frank R. Lillie, professor of embryology, University of Chicago; Dr. Graham Lusk, professor of physiology, Cornell Medical School; Dr. Robert A. Millikan, professor of physics, University of Chicago; Dr. Alexander Smith, professor of chemistry, Columbia University; Dr. Victor C. Vaughan, professor of hygiene and physiological chemistry, University of Michigan; Dr. H. S. White, professor of mathematics, Vassar College; Dr. S. W. Williston, professor of paleontology, University of Chicago.

THE following have been elected members of the American Philosophical Society: John J. Abel, M.D., Baltimore, Md.; Edwin Plimpton Adams, Ph.D., Princeton, N. J.; Walter Sydney Adams, Pasadena, Cal.; John Merle Coulter, Ph.D., Chicago, Ill.; Whitman Cross, Ph.D., Washington, D. C.; William J. Gies, M.D., New York City; Philip Bovier Hawk, Ph.D., Philadelphia; John Fillmore Hayford, Evanston, Ill.; Emory Richard Johnson, Sc.D., Philadelphia; John Anthony Miller, Ph.D., Swarthmore, Pa.; Thomas Hunt Morgan, Ph.D., New York; William Fogg Osgood, Ph.D., Cambridge, Mass.; Raymond Pearl, Ph.D., Orono, Me.; Theobald Smith, M.D., Boston, Mass.; John Zeleny, Ph.D., Minneapolis, Minn.

A BANQUET to Dr. William Henry Dall, commemorating the completion of fifty years service to science was given at the Cosmos Club, Washington, on April 21. Dr. Dall responded to a series of toasts which were as

follows: Dall the Alaska pioneer, Dr. Alfred H. Brooks; Dall the anthropologist, Professor William H. Holmes; Dall the coast pilot, Mr. Isaac Winston; Dall the malacologist, Dr. T. Wayland Vaughan; Dall the zoologist, Dr. C. Hart Merriam; Dall the nomenclatorist, Dr. Ch. Wardell Stiles; Dall the poet, Justice Wendell P. Stafford; Dall the man, General A. W. Greely.

THE Royal Society of Arts has presented its Albert medal to Senator Guglielmo Marconi "for his services in the development and practical application of wireless telegraphy."

At the annual dinner of the National Academy of Sciences, held on April 20, the Draper medal was presented to Dr. Joel Stebbins, professor of astronomy at the University of Illinois.

THE Jacksonian prize of the Royal College of Surgeons, London, has been awarded to Mr. Jonathan Hutchinson for his essay on the pathology, diagnosis and treatment of trigeminal neuralgia, and the John Tomes prize to Mr. J. F. Colyer for his work on comparative dental anatomy and pathology.

ACCORDING to a cablegram from Nish, Dr. Richard P. Strong, professor of tropical diseases in the Harvard Medical School, arrived there on April 24. He at once sat down to a long conference with the minister of the interior, Ljouba Jovanovitch, to discuss a plan of campaign against disease.

DR. SAMUEL T. DARLING, who was associated with General Gorgas for ten years on the Panama Canal, and who accompanied him to South Africa during his investigation of disease among the miners on the Rand, has resigned as chief of laboratory, and will investigate disease in the far east for the Rockefeller Foundation's international health commission. He left for Singapore via Liverpool on the *Adriatic* on April 21.

DR. FREDERICK H. GETMAN, of Bryn Mawr College, has resigned as associate professor of physical and inorganic chemistry and will open a private research laboratory in Stamford, Conn., at the close of the academic year.